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**From:** Moss, Suzanne [Suzanne.Moss@Illinois.gov]  
**Sent:** 11/7/2019 8:33:06 PM  
**To:** Niess, Claudia [niess.claudia@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Owens, Doug [Doug.Owens@Illinois.gov]; Noyes, Kari [Kari.Noyes@illinois.gov]; Beaver, Brad [brad.beaver@illinois.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: pesticide exposure in Illinois in summer 2019

ok thanks!

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From: Niess, Claudia <niess.claudia@epa.gov>  
Sent: Thursday, November 07, 2019 1:54 PM  
To: Moss, Suzanne <Suzanne.Moss@Illinois.gov>  
Subject: [External] FW: pesticide exposure in Illinois in summer 2019

Hi Suzanne:

I'm forwarding the email chain below for your information. As you can see, EPA Headquarters has been made aware of a pesticide exposure incident but does not have any further identifying details. From what I can tell there's no further follow-up or information being requested by EPA, but if I hear of any additional questions or interest I'll let you know.

Thanks!

Claudia Niess  
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-----Original Message-----

From: Evans, Elizabeth <Evans.Elizabeth@epa.gov>  
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2019 8:14 AM  
To: Hopkins, Yvette <Hopkins.Yvette@epa.gov>; Calvo, Estrella <calvo.estrella@epa.gov>  
Cc: Rittenhouse, Susan <Rittenhouse.Susan@epa.gov>; Star, David <star.david@epa.gov>; Martig, Anton (Tony) <martig.anton@epa.gov>; Niess, Claudia <niess.claudia@epa.gov>  
Subject: RE: pesticide exposure in Illinois in summer 2019

Hi all,

This is all of the information I have been able to garner from Illinois regarding the event. I do think IDA is investigating - so please reach out to IDA or Linda directly. Below is all of the information EPA OPP at HQ have.

Thanks,

Liz

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From: Hopkins, Yvette <Hopkins.Yvette@epa.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2019 7:38 AM  
To: Calvo, Estrella <calvo.estrella@epa.gov>; Evans, Elizabeth <Evans.Elizabeth@epa.gov>  
Cc: Rittenhouse, Susan <Rittenhouse.Susan@epa.gov>; Star, David <star.david@epa.gov>; Martig, Anton (Tony) <martig.anton@epa.gov>; Niess, Claudia <niess.claudia@epa.gov>  
Subject: RE: pesticide exposure in Illinois in summer 2019

I'm afraid I don't have any more information. Copying Liz who may be able to assist.

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From: Calvo, Estrella <calvo.estrella@epa.gov>  
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 6:34 PM  
To: Hopkins, Yvette <Hopkins.Yvette@epa.gov>  
Cc: Rittenhouse, Susan <Rittenhouse.Susan@epa.gov>; Star, David <star.david@epa.gov>; Martig, Anton (Tony) <martig.anton@epa.gov>; Niess, Claudia <niess.claudia@epa.gov>  
Subject: RE: pesticide exposure in Illinois in summer 2019

Yvette,

Would you happen to have additional details about this incident that would allow us to follow-up with IDA, such as company information, applicator information, location of incident, name of complainant, etc...?

Regards,  
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From: Hopkins, Yvette <Hopkins.Yvette@epa.gov>  
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 1:18 PM  
To: Calvo, Estrella <calvo.estrella@epa.gov>; Rittenhouse, Susan <Rittenhouse.Susan@epa.gov>; Star, David <star.david@epa.gov>; Martig, Anton (Tony) <martig.anton@epa.gov>  
Subject: FW: pesticide exposure in Illinois in summer 2019

Fyi  
This came in through public health connections.

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From: Evans, Elizabeth <Evans.Elizabeth@epa.gov>  
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 1:17 PM  
To: Hopkins, Yvette <Hopkins.Yvette@epa.gov>  
Subject: RE: pesticide exposure in Illinois in summer 2019

No clue. Feel free.

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From: Hopkins, Yvette <Hopkins.Yvette@epa.gov>  
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 12:42 PM  
To: Evans, Elizabeth <Evans.Elizabeth@epa.gov>; Recore, Shanna <Recore.Shanna@epa.gov>; Miller, David <Miller.DavidJ@epa.gov>; Miller, Robert <Miller.Robert@epa.gov>; Vogel, Dana <Vogel.Dana@epa.gov>; Alarcon, Walter (CDC/NIOSH/DSHEFS) <wda7@cdc.gov>  
Subject: RE: pesticide exposure in Illinois in summer 2019

Has Region 5 been looped into this?

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From: Evans, Elizabeth <Evans.Elizabeth@epa.gov>  
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 12:25 PM  
To: Recore, Shanna <Recore.Shanna@epa.gov>; Miller, David <Miller.DavidJ@epa.gov>; Miller, Robert <Miller.Robert@epa.gov>; Hopkins, Yvette <Hopkins.Yvette@epa.gov>; Vogel, Dana <Vogel.Dana@epa.gov>; Alarcon, Walter (CDC/NIOSH/DSHEFS) <wda7@cdc.gov>  
Subject: FW: pesticide exposure in Illinois in summer 2019

FYI regarding Illinois incident. Bob M. and others feel free to connect directly with Linda on this for questions you may have for 6a2 (did you get this in IDS yet?) also please share with the IST.

-----Original Message-----

From: Forst, Linda S <lforst@uic.edu>  
Sent: Tuesday, October 29, 2019 12:04 PM  
To: Evans, Elizabeth <Evans.Elizabeth@epa.gov>; wda7@cdc.gov  
Cc: Friedman, Lee Scott <lfried1@uic.edu>; Quintana Tejeda, Lupita <gquint7@uic.edu>; Szwiec, Emily Elizabeth <szwiec1@uic.edu>  
Subject: RE: pesticide exposure in Illinois in summer 2019

Hi Liz.

Please pass this info to your colleagues at USEPA. We are working to convene various state agencies, Illinois migrant council, and others to talk through how reporting went in an effort to establish PRI reporting in the state. It would be great to get insights from whomever is investigating from USEPA.

From our contact at the Illinois Poison Center

14 exposures on 7/26.

Two came to Emergency Department; don't know about other 12.

One guy was dusted 3 times in a week. They did not want to make a report, wanted to talk to their union/boss.

The website of IDAg to make a report was given to at least one person in this group.

3 people came to ED on 8-6. They were to make a report on the Ag website.

The pesticides that were named in these visits were:

On 7/26 the listed substances were 2EC, trivapro, bifenthrin On 8/6, the listed substances were Avaris, Sultrus and Coron

Apologies for the delay. Linda

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From: Forst, Linda S  
Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 1:33 PM  
To: Evans, Elizabeth <Evans.Elizabeth@epa.gov>; wda7@cdc.gov  
Cc: Friedman, Lee Scott <lfried1@uic.edu>  
Subject: RE: Schedule a call?

This fell off my radar. I did get information about an event that sent many people to the hospital in summer. Does anyone want to know about it? Linda

-----Original Message-----

From: Evans, Elizabeth <Evans.Elizabeth@epa.gov>  
Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 7:54 AM  
To: Forst, Linda S <lforst@uic.edu>; wda7@cdc.gov  
Cc: Friedman, Lee Scott <lfried1@uic.edu>  
Subject: RE: Schedule a call?

Hi Linda,

Please give me a call this afternoon or tomorrow when you have information. I will listen and take notes.

I am here until 4:30. Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: Forst, Linda S <lforst@uic.edu>  
Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 8:51 AM  
To: Evans, Elizabeth <Evans.Elizabeth@epa.gov>; wda7@cdc.gov  
Cc: Friedman, Lee Scott <lfried1@uic.edu>  
Subject: RE: Schedule a call?

Hi Liz. I want to do what you want.

I will have more info later today and plan to use this case to work toward putting into place a rational/preventive system in our state. This is a great opportunity (ugh) to point out how a fragmented system allows individuals to get poisoned over and over without any brakes.

Linda

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From: Evans, Elizabeth <Evans.Elizabeth@epa.gov>  
Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 7:23 AM  
To: Forst, Linda S <lforst@uic.edu>; wda7@cdc.gov  
Subject: RE: Schedule a call?

Hi Linda- I'm on detail in another EPA division so I am not focused on incident data as much but I would like to stay on top of this incident.  
I also have a colleague, Shanna, who is the human incident contact. Let me invite Shanna to join us in the event I'm pulled away for other work. Please offer a time or two to have the call. Otherwise if you just want to call me directly now would be a good time. You can always give me a ring.

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Thanks.

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From: Forst, Linda S <lforst@uic.edu>  
Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2019 7:46 AM  
To: wda7@cdc.gov  
Cc: Evans, Elizabeth <Evans.Elizabeth@epa.gov>  
Subject: Schedule a call?

Hi. If you want to talk about these cases this afternoon or later this week I could do that.  
Linda